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SENATOR HALL: That will be the portion of the amendment that we're dealing with, lines 1 through 10 up until the semicolon on line 10. (See page 722 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Kristensen, on the amendment.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you. Just to remind the body what LB 161 is all about, this is a bill that during first round of debate is a matter of collecting debts for political subdivisions and for cities and schools, for our tax people also in the Revenue Department dealing...before we were only dealing with out of state people, now we're dealing with intrastate people. The Department of Social Services did have some concerns. They met with me prior to the public hearing. They monitored that. They also monitored first-round debate and they requested that we have this clarifying amendment that we are not doing anything to the child support collection area through this private collection. They already have the power to do this. Part of the amendment says in no way do we limit the powers and remedies available to an authorized attorney, which is the child support collection attorney. The top part of this just talks about the requiring of notice and that notice, since notice is already there through the court order and also that a new debt is listed every 30 days because every month that the child support becomes due is a new, in effect, a new debt or judgment, that that didn't fit in very well and so we're just clarifying that we're not doing anything and adding any of those requirements for the notice. I would think that the first part of this is fairly much what the Department of Social Services had requested from us and would fit in nicely with what LB 161 does. With that, I would be happy to answer any questions about the first part of this amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. We are discussing the first half of the amendment. Anyone wishing to discuss that? Seeing no one, Senator Kristensen, do you wish to close? He waives closing. We will now vote on the first half of the amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the first portion of the Kristensen amendment. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.